

PRE-CONVENTION BULLETIN

Section 3 of Article XII of the California Medical Association Constitution states in part: "The Association, prior to the annual session, shall print a 'Pre-Convention Bulletin,' which shall contain reports of officers and committees. . . . A copy of the 'Pre-Convention Bulletin' shall be given to each delegate and alternate, on or before registration."

REPORTS OF GENERAL OFFICERS

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

To the House of Delegates:

During this year of economic stress your president has found many problems of interest, many opportunities to meet the splendid men in our profession, and opportunities to participate in events which have caused him much pleasure and satisfaction. All those with whom he has worked have been earnest and open-minded in their efforts to find a solution to the problems as they arose, even though they are not all settled as yet.

I had the pleasure of addressing the Santa Clara society at a joint meeting with the County Social Workers' Club and the Public Health Nurses' Association; the Fresno County Medical Society, the Supervisors, and social workers; the Sonoma County society; a joint meeting of the Napa and Solano county societies; the Harbor Branch of the Los Angeles County Medical Society, the Health Section of the California League of Municipalities; the Woman's Auxiliary of the Alameda County society; and the graduating class of the medical department of the University of California. In all these meetings I stressed the importance of organization work, legislation—which again will be a problem within a very few months—and medical economics. Everywhere I found a keen interest among the members to assist in solving the problem of an adequate, efficient and satisfactory medical service. A conference was held in Chicago with the officers of the American Medical Association with this thought in mind.

The year has been filled with interesting experiences, and though dark clouds have often hovered over us the sun has broken through at last.

Respectfully submitted,

George G. Reinle, *President*.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT-ELECT

To the President and the House of Delegates:

During this year I have attended all the meetings of the Council, Executive Committee, and the Public Relations Committee (except the last meeting of the Public Relations Committee) of the California State Medical Association, to acquaint myself thoroughly with all the questions pertaining to the interests of the Association and its members.

I have found this year to be most interesting and instructive, and feel that what I have gained will be of great benefit to me this coming year.

All activities of the California State Medical Association and its officers have been entirely for the benefit of the members of the California State Medical Association and, through them, to the public.

It is my hope that the members of the Association fully appreciate the efforts of the executive staff and that they will lend their aid toward the solution of all problems that may come up for decision or action.

It is the desire of the president, the Council, and all active committees to help solve the many questions that are presented by any member of the California State Medical Association.

This year, to date, many proposed problems have been definitely solved by the president and his Council, while others are at this time being thoroughly studied.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence G. Toland, *President-Elect*.

REPORT OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The Speaker of the House of Delegates announces the personnel of the following committees:

Credentials Committee—Lemuel P. Adams, Oakland; Charles T. Sturgeon, Los Angeles; R. A. Cushman, Talmadge.

Reference Committee on Reports of Officers and of Standing Committees—Alson R. Kilgore, San Francisco; E. Eric Larson, Los Angeles; W. H. Barrow, San Diego.

Reference Committee on Resolutions and on New and Miscellaneous Business—William R. Molony, Sr., Los Angeles; Phil Gilman, San Francisco; F. H. Scatena, Sacramento.

The Speaker desires to thank the members of the House for their cordial coöperation in the past.

The House of Delegates will meet on Monday and Wednesday evenings promptly at eight o'clock. All resolutions to come before the House must be presented at the meeting on Monday evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward M. Palette, *Speaker*.

REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The necessity for a detailed statement from the Association Secretary of membership and finances is greatly lessened since the auditor's report is published yearly.

Four thousand and seventy-two active, and associate members paid dues for 1933. If fifty-seven retired and fourteen honorary members are added, the total membership reaches 5,043 as against the total of 5,035 for 1932, a gain of eight members. Since the first of January forty-two payments for 1933 have been received, but these cannot be added for comparison.

The payment of dues for 1934 has been surprisingly prompt. The San Joaquin County Society on March 15 had but three payments lacking out of a membership of seventy-seven; Mendocino Society had but one; Placer Society but three. In all, 3,715 members were in good standing fifteen days before the final date of delinquency.

The auditor's report will show a smaller gain for 1933 than for any preceding year of the last decade. The carrying out of the instructions of the House of Delegates in the matter of the corporate practice of medicine and health insurance has involved a certain expenditure less, however, than was at the time considered probable. These activities have lowered the savings to \$98.96 for the year. The total gain of \$3,034.55 shown in the auditor's profit and loss statement includes the interest on the moneys that the California Medical Association has allocated to the Trustees Of the California Medical Association. The JOURNAL loss for 1933, amounting to \$3,235.56, is some \$2,200 less than for 1932. The small saving of the Association, added to the interest allocated from the funds of the Trustees, offsets the JOURNAL loss in large measure, and this year the California Medical Association was but \$211.01 in the red.

The report of the chairman of the Council and that of the Association's legal counsel presented to the

House of Delegates will show the work undertaken and accomplished during the fiscal year and will easily explain the reason the assessment of \$10 has for the first time in eleven years not completely covered expenditures.

The recommendations made by the Committee on Survey of Activities and Expenditures of the Association have been put into effect, though savings so effected in some instances do not show on the 1933 financial statement.

The annual prize award of \$300 and the publication of the directory have been discontinued, but both savings are effective after January 1, 1934.

The JOURNAL expenditures for 1933 were \$5,570.30 less than for 1932. The cost of publication diminished \$3,337.11; advertising commissions, due, unfortunately, to decreased advertising, dropped \$500, and the salary budget decreased \$1,200.

The consolidation of the offices of the Association and the Department of Public Relations was made possible only on March 1 of 1934 by removal of an adjoining tenant, and under a new lease the rental savings of the two offices will amount to \$1,122 a year. This, however, will not show until next year's audit.

The work of the Department of Public Relations and the Cancer Commission was recommended to be handled by one assistant. The assistant selected was unable to continue her work and as it was deemed advisable to have an assistant familiar with the work of the main office, Miss Mickle was temporarily transferred. Pending decision regarding her acceptance to the Department of Public Relations, the three remaining assistants asked that they divide and assume her former duties. There was considerable question in the mind of your secretary regarding the wisdom of adding this extra work to that already carried. There still is some question, but their expressed wish to try the plan prevailed, and the energy, capability and willingness of all have so far tided over all rush periods. Whether three should carry the entire load indefinitely remains to be seen. This effected a savings for the Department of Public Relations of \$1,500 a year and for the Association and the JOURNAL, \$600 each, or a total savings of \$2,700.

The reductions effected by the carrying out of the various recommendations of the Committee on Survey of Activities and Expenditures of the Association therefore totals almost \$10,000 and should be plainly reflected in the auditor's report presented at the 1935 meeting.

The Placement Bureau has been of service to a limited number of physicians and stenographers. No calls for technicians have been received this past year. Positions as ships' doctors and in C. C. C. camps outnumbered other calls for 1933. With return to more normal business activities, calls from industrial plants should be received this coming year.

It is with sincere pleasure that I again express my gratitude to component county officers. Their accurate accounts, conscientious reports of dues, their prompt replies to letters, lighten and hearten the work of the state office, and the desire of the State Secretary and her assistants to return in full measure the generous service accorded.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

The system of bookkeeping inaugurated early in 1932 by Mr. Hugh Ross has clarified the financial statement of the Association greatly. A general review of the appended audit shows a balance sheet and three profit and loss divisions, one of the accounts of the California Medical Association, one of the JOURNAL of the California Medical Association, and one of the funds transferred by the California Medical Association to the corporation Trustees Of The California Medical Association. Included with the 1933 audit are ten schedules that give itemized information on expenses of the Association Division; (a) general office expense; expenses of (b) legal department; (c) of annual meeting; (d) of the Council; (e) of various committees; (f) Department of Public Relations. Detailed

information is appended to the statement of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, itemizing, respectively, JOURNAL subscriptions, production and distribution costs of JOURNAL, and general and clerical expenses. Full information wanted on costs of any item can, through these appended schedules, now be found.

This financial statement, as audited and certified by Mr. Hugh Ross, is submitted as the report of the treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma W. Pope, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

Financial Report for Calendar Year 1933.

Balance Sheet

DECEMBER 31, 1933

ASSETS

Cash	\$28,695.54
Accounts receivable:	
Advertisers in Journal	\$ 4,835.00
Trustees California Medical Association 1933 interest	2,925.59
Deposit United States Post Office.....	75.00
Miscellaneous	27.60
	7,863.19
Deferred charges:	
Rent paid in advance.....	345.00
Office equipment:	
Cost	6,437.20
Depreciation	2,715.75
	3,721.45
	\$40,625.18

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable:	
Miscellaneous	452.61
Deferred income:	
Dues collected in advance.....	265.00
Reserve fund:	
Herzstein Bequest	2,093.32
	2,810.93

NET

Surplus	\$113,244.60
Less transferred to "Trustees Of The California Medical Association".....	75,430.35
	37,814.25
	\$40,625.18

DETAIL

CASH

DECEMBER 31, 1933

Wells Fargo Bank & Union Trust Co.	
Current account	\$ 720.91
Revolving funds:	
Salary	\$ 1,300.00
General	1,000.00
Petty cash	50.00
	2,350.00
Savings' accounts:	
Anglo California National Bank.....	13,569.42
Security First National Bank of Los Angeles	11,846.18
Wells Fargo Bank & Union Trust Co.	209.03
	25,624.63
	\$ 28,695.54

DETAIL OF SURPLUS

January 1, opening balance.....	\$113,455.61
Gain or loss for year:	
Association	Gain 3,024.55
Journal	Loss 3,235.56
Loss	211.01
	113,244.60
Less transferred to "Trustees Of The California Medical Association".....	75,430.35
	\$ 37,814.25

SUMMARY OF EARNINGS

Year	Association Gain	Journal Loss	Trustees Gain	Total Gain
1933	\$3,024.55	\$3,235.56	\$406.88	\$195.87

DETAIL OF COUNTY SOCIETY DUES

Year	Term	Rate	Members	Amount
1933	Active members	\$10.00	4,853	\$48,530.00
1933	Active members (half year)....	5.00	114	570.00
1933	Associate members	5.00	4	20.00
1933	Associate members (half year) 2.50		1	2.50
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				4,972 \$49,122.50
Dues collected for prior year:				
1933	Active members	10.00	13	130.00
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				\$49,252.50

I. Association Division—Profit and Loss

Number of members.....		4,972	
INCOME			
		Amount	Per
			Member
County society dues.....		\$49,252.50	\$9.91
Less allocated to Journal 1/5		9,850.50	1.98
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		\$39,402.00	\$7.93
Appropriation from Trustees:			
Interest for year 1933.....		\$ 2,925.59	\$.57
Other income:			
Interest	\$1,058.80		
Exhibits at annual meeting	1,090.00		
Services to Medical Society	600.00		
Addressograph revenue	44.99		
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		\$ 2,793.79	\$.56
Total income		\$45,121.38	\$9.06

EXPENSE

Sch.			
A. General expense	\$13,080.99	\$2.63	
B. Legal department	4,202.76	.85	
C. Annual meeting expense..	2,731.87	.55	
D. Council expense	1,039.71	.21	
E. Committees' expenses	9,190.24	1.85	
F. Department of Public Relations	8,051.02	1.62	
Delegates to American Medical Association convention	756.43	.15	
Directory of members.....	274.81	.05	
Subscriptions:			
Lane Medical Library.....	\$1,209.50		
Barlow Medical Library.....	1,209.50		
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		2,419.00	.48
Women's Auxiliary	350.00	.07	
Total expense.....		\$42,096.83	\$8.46

NET

Gain for year.....	\$ 3,024.55	\$.60
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SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES
ASSOCIATION DIVISION

GENERAL EXPENSE

Salaries:			
Secretary	\$4,000.00		
Clerical	3,900.04		
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		\$ 7,900.04	
Taxes:			
Federal tax on checks.....	15.45		
San Francisco personal property.....	43.13		
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		58.58	
Rent	2,044.00		
Postage	325.49		
Telephone and telegrams	466.93		
Office:			
Supplies	700.87		
Expense	271.75		
Sundry	674.41		
Depreciation office equipment.....	638.92		
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		2,285.95	
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		\$13,080.99	

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

General counsel:			
Retainer	\$ 4,000.00		
Legal fees and expenses.....	185.76		
Supplies	17.00		
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		\$ 4,202.76	

ANNUAL MEETING EXPENSE

Badges	189.46
Installation	71.82
Invited guests	705.52
Hotel and entertainment	993.23
Printing, stationery and sundry.....	771.84
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	\$ 2,731.87

COUNCIL EXPENSE

Transportation	991.98
Sundry	47.73
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	\$ 1,039.71

COMMITTEES' EXPENSES

Executive Committee:			
Transportation		\$	136.95
Public Policy and Legislation:			
Expense			2,191.26
Public Relations Committee:			
Transportation	\$ 460.51		
Expense (extra legal)	4,700.41		
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			5,160.92

Cancer Commission:			
Salaries, clerical	550.00		
Rent	150.00		
Postage	116.42		
Telephone and telegrams.....	14.48		
Office supplies	173.82		
Office expense	4.16		
Sundry expense	12.60		
Transportation	15.50		
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			1,036.98

Clinical and research prizes:			
Clinical prize	150.00		
Research prize	150.00		
Framing and lettering	7.50		
Reprints of prize papers.....	20.25		
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			327.75

Scientific section:			
Stationery for twelve sections.....			70.12

Others:			
Scientific work committee.....	154.49		
Physical Therapy Committee.....	111.77		
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			266.26
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			\$ 9,190.24

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
RELATIONS

Salaries:			
Director	4,800.00		
Clerical	1,400.00		
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			6,200.00
Rent			1,020.00
Postage			59.40
Telephone and telegrams.....			139.55
Office expense:			
Supplies	153.76		
Expense	56.15		
Sundry	46.60		
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			256.51

February bulletin: 6,500 copies.....	227.31		
Transportation	148.25		
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			\$ 8,051.02

II. Journal Division—Profit and Loss

Number of copies issued.....	65,065
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INCOME

	Amount	Per Copy
Advertising	\$22,842.88	35.10c
Subscriptions (See detail).....	11,137.89	17.12
Sale of review books.....	180.00	.28
Total income		<hr/>
		\$34,160.77 52.50c

EXPENSE

Journal:			
Production (See detail).....	\$20,924.01		
Distribution (See detail).....	2,095.52		
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			23,019.53
Selling expense:			
Advertising commission	\$ 3,621.26		
Collection expense and disc.	103.84		
Advertising	12.00		
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			3,737.10
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			5.74

Promotion:

Journals furnished to:		
Advertisers	306.00	
Exchange Journal	351.00	
Complimentary	168.00	
		825.00 1.27
General expense (See detail)....	9,689.20	14.89
Bad debts	125.50	.19
Total expense	\$37,396.33	57.47c
NET		
Loss for year	\$-3,235.56	-4.97c

DETAIL OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

SUBSCRIPTIONS

County Society dues allocated.....	\$ 9,850.50
Nevada Medical Association.....	106.00
Cash sales	356.39
Journals to advertisers.....	306.00
Journals to others.....	519.00
	\$11,137.89

JOURNAL PRODUCTION

Cost	\$19,672.40
Proof changes	750.00
Illustrations	501.61
	\$20,924.01

JOURNAL DISTRIBUTION

Correcting mailing list.....	\$ 720.00
Wrappers	292.00
Postage prepaid	1,083.52
	\$ 2,095.52

GENERAL EXPENSE

Salaries:	
Editorial	\$4,000.00
Clerical	3,799.96
	\$ 7,799.96
Rent	1,020.00
Postage	452.34
Telephone and telegrams.....	120.82
Office expense:	
Supplies	\$ 205.03
Expense	90.35
Sundry70
	296.08
	\$ 9,689.20

III. Trustees of the California Medical Association

Balance Sheet

DECEMBER 31, 1933

ASSETS

Cash, savings accounts:	
Bank of America, Humboldt Branch	\$ 3,366.89
Crocker First Federal Trust Co.	13,361.49
The San Francisco Bank..	14,856.22
	\$31,584.60
Bonds:	
Liberty 4-4½	\$22,000.00
Liberty 4-4½	2,000.00
Treasury 4% 1944-54	25,000.00
Treasury 3½% 1943-5	2,000.00
	49,010.63
	\$80,595.23

LIABILITIES

California Medical Association:	
Interest for 1933.....	\$ 2,925.59
NET	
Surplus paid in:	
California Medical Association	75,430.35
Surplus from earnings:	
January 1, 1933.....	\$ 1,832.41
Appropriated 1933	406.88
December 31	2,239.29
	\$80,595.23

PROFIT AND LOSS

INCOME

Interest on bonds and savings accounts 1933.....	\$2,925.59
Bond interest 1932 collected 1933.....	500.00
Gain derived from conversion of \$2,000 Liberty Bonds	14.38
Total income	\$3,439.97

EXPENSE

Surety bonds for secretary and president.....	\$ 50.00
Rent safe deposit box.....	5.50
Notary	2.00
Audit	50.00
Total expense	\$ 107.50

NET

Gain for year	\$3,332.47
Appropriated to:	
California Medical Association.	
Interest for 1933	2,925.59
Balance to surplus.....	\$ 406.88

IV. Herzstein Bequest

For Suppression of Quackery in the Practice of Medicine

RECEIPTS

July, 1929 Cash	\$ 941.20
July, 1930 Cash	746.58
Dec., 1930 Interest earned by fund	65.78
July, 1931 Cash	842.30
Dec., 1931 Interest earned by fund	76.12
July, 1932 Cash	849.88
Dec., 1932 Interest earned by fund	89.80
July, 1933 Cash	726.53
Dec., 1933 Interest earned by fund	69.64

PAYMENTS

1932 Public health exhibits	\$1,072.31
1933 Public health exhibits	950.54
1933 Publicity articles	291.66
	2,314.51

NET

December 31, 1933 Balance in fund.....	\$2,093.32
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San Francisco, California,

February 19, 1934.

I have audited the books of account and records of the California Medical Association for the year 1933, and hereby certify that the foregoing balance sheet and relative profit and loss accounts and statements attached hereto exhibit a true record of the financial affairs of the association for the year.

HUGH ROSS.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The editor's report on papers received, printed, awaiting publication, and declined, is as follows:

(a) *Report on annual session papers of 1933—Del Monte session.*

At the Del Monte annual session (year 1933), a total of 130 papers were read before the general meetings and different sections. A summary of the disposition of the papers read at last year's annual session is as follows:

Del Monte annual session papers published in 1933.....	28
Del Monte annual session papers published in 1934.....	21
Del Monte annual session papers read (but published elsewhere, declined, or not sent in).....	72
Del Monte annual session papers in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE files still awaiting publication (annual session papers in this April issue still to be deducted)	9

Total annual session papers read at Del Monte were.....130

(b) *Report on all special articles which have been printed in "California and Western Medicine" during the period April, 1933 to April, 1934 inclusive.*

Special and original articles which were published in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE during the past year (April, 1933 to April, 1934, inclusive) are as follows:

Section papers from 1932 annual session (Pasadena session)	28
Section papers from 1933 annual session (Del Monte session)	42
California Medical Association prize papers (Del Monte session)	2

Papers read before general session (Del Monte session)	7
Lure of Medical History articles.....	12
Papers from Nevada State Medical Association meetings	5
Papers read before county and other medical societies	9
Papers accepted from miscellaneous sources (original articles, abstracts of speeches, reprints from other publications, etc.).....	25
Clinical Notes and Case Reports.....	50
Editorials	46
Editorial Comment articles.....	31
Bedside Medicine symposia.....	12

Total papers published during past year.....269

(c) *Report on manuscripts in "California and Western Medicine" files and awaiting publication.*

CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE has on hand manuscripts which have been accepted and which are awaiting publication in issues of April, 1934, and later.	
Unpublished papers from 1933 annual session (Del Monte session)	9
Unpublished papers read before county and other societies	6
Unpublished papers not read before other societies.....	8
Lure of Medical History articles.....	4
Clinical Notes and Case Reports.....	16
Editorial Comment articles.....	10
Bedside Medicine symposia.....	3

Total manuscripts on hand awaiting publication..... 56

(d) *Report on non-annual session papers submitted.*

A total of forty-six papers from county societies and other sources which were submitted for publication in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE this past year (April, 1933 to April, 1934, inclusive) could not be accepted for various and special reasons:

Non-annual session papers submitted, but declined..... 46

A comparison of the above report, with that presented at last year's Del Monte session, shows that at the end of the present fiscal year it has been possible to materially reduce the number of unpublished papers carried over from the previous annual session. (Last year there were thirty-one unpublished annual session papers, and this year there are only nine of such; although the total number of annual session papers read and not accepted or printed elsewhere was about the same.)

As regards the finances of the official journal, the income from the advertising pages is very much below that of the prosperity years prior to 1929. However, the report of the Association Treasurer shows a material reduction in the net loss, as compared with the year 1932. A new advertising representative has been appointed for Southern California and it is hoped that the coming year will show a substantial increase in the advertising income. Members can aid the official journal of the Association by patronizing the advertisers and mentioning CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, and also by referring the names of prospective advertisers to one of the advertising representatives.

The editor is under obligation to the many members of the Association who have so generously responded when called on for discussion of papers or special reports or comments. A constant effort has been made to present to the readers of the official journal the important work and activities of the Association. Naturally, nowadays, with problems in medical economics in such a constant state of flux, it has not been possible, nor has it been desirable, to discuss the many activities of the executive officers and Public Relations Committee in the pages of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE. Such topics will be presented to the House of Delegates at the Riverside annual session.

A cordial invitation is extended to all readers to contribute to CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, with the hope that its pages will continue to contain material so arranged and presented as to be attractive to the members of the California Medical Association.

Respectfully submitted,

George H. Kress, *Editor.*

REPORTS OF DISTRICT COUNCILORS

FIRST COUNCILOR DISTRICT

San Diego, Riverside, Orange, and Imperial Counties

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The councilor of the First District has attended all meetings of the Council and has made one or more visits to each society in the district.

All the societies in the district have maintained a satisfactory membership both as to quantity and quality. Active efforts have been instituted looking toward the enrollment of every qualified, desirable physician in the district, with good success, and lapses in membership have been few.

The scientific programs have been excellent, and it is difficult to understand how any doctor of medicine can refrain from taking advantage of such opportunities for professional improvement. Medical economics, in its various ramifications, has been much studied and debated in this district. The conclusions in these societies have been distinctly adverse to insurance medicine either by lay or professional group organization. The intolerable burden of charity cases, both in clinics and private practice, has received intensive study. At this time the Los Angeles County plan of decentralizing the care of these cases, which entails the closing or curtailing of clinic work and their reference to the doctors' offices on a moderate fee basis paid from tax funds with adequate social service investigation, seems to offer the best solution of the problem.

Plans are now being made by societies in this district for the inauguration of such a method of handling this problem.

Relations with the various public health departments continue to be somewhat unsatisfactory. The continued efforts of those groups to encroach upon the domain of therapy is a source of much irritation. It would seem desirable that some method should be evolved whereby a working agreement can be reached with the State Board of Health and through them with the various public health officials whereby a better line of demarcation may be established between public health activities and private medical practice.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Roblee, *Councilor,*
First District.

SECOND COUNCILOR DISTRICT

Los Angeles County

To the President and the House of Delegates:

Some ten years ago the County Medical Association began the accumulation of a fund by contributions from the members for the acquirement of *permanent quarters*. A lot was purchased, but because of increasing property values was leased to a holding company formed by a group of the members, who acquired adjacent lots and erected a height-limit medical office building. As a result the Association receives a substantial yearly income as ground rental.

Additional contributions to the fund made it possible to acquire other properties, which something over a year ago were exchanged for a corner across the street from the office building, as it was felt that it was to the interest of the Association to stabilize values in that vicinity.

The fund has continued to grow, and in July, 1933, the Board of Trustees appointed a building committee and authorized them to engage an architect and proceed with plans for a library and assembly hall. Unexpected difficulties developed when test holes were sunk for the foundations, and it was necessary to entirely revamp the plans. These difficulties were, however, eventually overcome, and the contracts signed at the close of the year. After all legal formalities had been concluded, the old building which the Association had been using was razed the first week in March, and construction is now actively under way.

When the buildings are completed, we shall have a library 50 by 100 feet, with a capacity of 80,000

volumes, an assembly hall with a seating capacity of 450, ample office space for the Association, meeting rooms, kitchen facilities, and a dining-room capable of seating 150 persons.

The financial obligation which the Association is incurring has been carefully studied. The annual expense will be well within our capacity to meet, and we believe that the buildings can be cleared of debt within the next ten years.

During the past year the *Public Relations* Committee, the *Public Health* Committee, and the officers of the Association have held many meetings and made a large number of contacts with the various departments of governmental and other organizations involved, and much has been accomplished.

Early in 1933 a complete survey of the operations of the County Health Department was made, and these committees jointly prepared a report outlining what was considered to be the duties of a health officer. This outline was approved by the Board of Councilors and submitted to the public health officer of Los Angeles County and to the Board of Supervisors.

The major object of this work was and still is to curb the trend toward unnecessary pauperization of the public by the activities of the Health Department in the field of medical treatment of the individual—a field quite distinct from that of public health.

In August, 1933, the *San Fernando Plan* was developed, and a trial for ninety days granted in the city of San Fernando. Before this plan went into operation, indigents entitled to treatment under the Pauper Act went to the County Health Department Center at San Fernando and received treatment, the treatment being given by the physicians of San Fernando, who gave their services gratis at the health centers. Under the San Fernando Plan these indigents needing treatment work are first social-serviced by the County Welfare Department and then sent to the offices of a private physician for treatment; or, if they are not ambulant, a physician is sent to their homes. For this work the physician does not receive a fee. He is considered as being on the staff of the County General Hospital, Out-Patient Department. He receives a certain compensation for the use of his office, namely, fifty cents for an office call, and is allowed one dollar for his expenses for each call he makes at the home of a patient.

The plan has since been extended, and at present is in effect in nine or more communities in the county. Fairly comprehensive reports show that it is an economical plan in saving the county money, and that the doctors of the community are receiving certain funds to help maintain their office overhead, which office overhead continued under the old system when these doctors gave their time in charity work at the health centers. One district at the present time is still holding out against the San Fernando Plan.

Those who have studied the operation of this plan see in it a definite answer to an important sociological problem—the tendency to pauperization is very definitely curbed. Many who in the past went freely to a health center, whether or not they needed service, will not go to the office of a private physician unless they actually need medical care. This plan, the Association believes, will prove a very decided factor in tending to rebuild a sense of responsibility into those who in the past felt they were entitled to everything that the county had to give them.

The problem of *federal emergency relief* in Los Angeles County was one of much confusion until recently. It offered two distinct divisions: care of the transients, and care of the unemployed. The Federal Transient Bureau was established in Los Angeles with direct federal funds for its operation. This transient bureau took steps to form a panel of doctors to take care of needy transients. No definite fee schedule had been arranged. The County Medical Association was instrumental in setting a fee schedule for this work in accordance with the interpretation of Bulletin No. 7 for California, namely, a schedule allowing \$1.25 for an office call, \$1.75 for a home call, and \$25 for com-

plete obstetrical service. This schedule was accepted. The County Medical Association was also instrumental in being given authority to appoint a panel of its members for this work. Because of the limited amount of this work, a large panel was unwieldy, so a small panel was named to operate for a period of sixty days, this panel to be replaced at the end of that time by another panel. These rotating panels are to continue as long as this service is necessary.

County Medical Association officers and committees were responsible for bringing out a clear-cut conception of the program of medical care for the unemployed. Numerous meetings were held with the County Emergency Relief Committee, representatives of the Council of Social Agencies, with the State Federal Emergency Relief Commission, with the Board of Supervisors, and Department of Welfare. The program for the medical care of the unemployed is at this writing complete except for minor details. An Executive Committee, representing the County Medical Association, the Dental Association, the Retail Druggists Association, the Council of Social Agencies, and the County Welfare Department, has been sanctioned. The secretary of the County Medical Association is acting as chairman of this Executive Committee.

This committee was charged with working out the mechanics of the operation of the Federal Emergency Medical Relief for the unemployed, which relief operates through the County Welfare Department.

The administration of this relief will rest very largely with the County Medical Association. Panels of physicians and surgeons in good standing, whether members of the County Medical Association or not, will be formed in the various employment districts. The County Medical Association telephone exchange will be used, together with other exchanges located preferably in hospitals in the outlying districts of the county. The program calls for a central medical advisory board, with a medical director or an executive secretary. In the outlying districts committees of three physicians will be named and made responsible for the smooth functioning of this service.

Under the program, those classed as unemployed and entitled to medical care will be social-serviced by the County Welfare Department and then referred to one of the physicians on the panel. If the unemployed has a personal physician, he will be given first choice; if not, physicians will be called in rotation.

Fees are the same as for transients. It is quite likely that the County Medical Association will act as a clearing house for the disbursement of these funds.

The Public Relations Committee, with a thorough realization of the need of some *medical service plan* to provide proper and adequate medical care for those who now are unable or find it difficult to pay for it, has developed what it considers to be a simple and workable plan. The legal aspects of the plan are now being studied before it is submitted to the membership for adoption. The committee at the present time is charged with the task of immediately perfecting this plan.

The Board of Councilors and the officers of the County Medical Association believe that the rapid changes taking place in our economic fabric demand that organizations seeking to maintain the principles of ethics of medicine must take steps immediately to "clean house"; to stop without delay, in the interests of public welfare, the pernicious spread of such group practices of medicine as constitute a menace to public welfare and to the standards of medical practice. The Association realizes that the public demands certain services within their ability to pay, and that inferior and often dangerous services now controlled by certain lay and medical groups must be replaced by an adequate service.

With this understanding the Public Relations Committee has been charged with the immediate task of perfecting its plan for medical service.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl R. Howson, *Councilor*,
Second District.

THIRD COUNCILOR DISTRICT

Kern, San Bernardino, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties

To the President and the House of Delegates:

As was reported last year, the component societies are showing a steadily growing interest in medical economics. Interest is being supplemented by action to a greater degree, especially in Kern and Santa Barbara counties: in Kern over the County Hospital situation, in Santa Barbara over free dispensaries. In the city of Santa Barbara the St. Francis and Cottage hospitals have been obliged to close their free clinics, and the county society is having the usual difficulty convincing the Supervisors that they must furnish adequate facilities for treating the ambulatory indigent sick and what an agreement on minimum adequacy means. Much interest in all counties is shown in the part-pay or limited income groups, and plans will soon be completed to care for them in some of the counties at least. I wish to take this opportunity to compliment the Kern County members for their sustained efforts this last year against an intolerable hospital situation. Their courage and mutual coöperation should be an example to all our component county societies, and their success is vital to the entire practice of medicine in California.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Ullmann, *Councilor,*
Third District.

FOURTH COUNCILOR DISTRICT

Calaveras, Fresno, Inyo, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tulare, and Tuolumne Counties

To the President and the House of Delegates:

I herewith submit the following report as councilor of the Fourth District.

Each organized society in the district has been visited at least once during the fiscal year.

On June 10, 1933, the charter for the Kings County Medical Society was delivered to a charter membership of nine. This year's membership was sixteen—every eligible physician in the county. Regular meetings are held, and this group could be well taken as an example by others who have a lower membership ratio.

Fresno County has the largest membership of any society in the district and in spite of the fact that nine who were affiliated members from Kings County transferred to their local unit, the membership has increased. Fresno County is still much interested in a periodic payment insurance plan for hospitalization. This, no doubt, is due to the fact that a local attorney, representing Mr. Peart's office, is handling the set-up.

San Joaquin County had a most active Public Relations Committee to investigate medical and hospital plans to lessen the cost of sickness. In February of this year, that committee submitted a final report and was discharged with thanks and the understanding that under more favorable circumstances, another committee would be appointed to carry on this work. Membership in this, as well as all other societies, is on the up-trend.

Tulare, Merced, and Stanislaus county societies are active, having regular meetings. Programs of meetings are usually supplied by outside speakers, which assures good attendance.

Medical men in the Fourth District in counties which have no local society affiliate with adjacent county units, hence the ratio of membership to the licentiates in the Fourth District is above the ratio in the state average. Several societies have a joint meeting once a year with the local Bar Association and with the members of the Dental Association.

All units in the district would welcome any feasible plan whereby their medico-economic position could be improved.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred R. DeLappe, *Councilor,*
Fourth District.

FIFTH COUNCILOR DISTRICT

Monterey, San Benito, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz Counties

To the President and the House of Delegates:

There has been a very marked increase in the amount of discussion on the various phases of medical economics in the meetings of all the county societies visited in the Fifth District during the past year. Attendance at meetings has been for the most part good. Interesting papers have been presented by both visiting men and members of the local society. One gains the impression from visiting the various society meetings that there is a growing interest in organized medicine, particularly in the smaller county societies.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred L. Phillips, *Councilor,*
Fifth District.

SIXTH COUNCILOR DISTRICT

San Francisco County

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The past year in this district has seen a great deal of effort expended on the study of group hospitalization. Excellent progress was made up to the point of clearly defining the hospital's position in the rendering of medical service. If this point can be agreed upon we will be ready within a few weeks to present a plan.

The general condition of the membership of this district is good. There is an earnest effort to study all the economic problems pertaining to medicine, and to find a solution which will be just to the physician as well as to the patient.

As usual we have had our differences of opinion among ourselves, but feel that frank expression of honest opinion and honest effort to change and improve existing conditions is always beneficial.

Respectfully submitted,

Karl L. Schaupp, *Councilor,*
Sixth District.

SEVENTH COUNCILOR DISTRICT

Alameda and Contra Costa Counties

To the President and the House of Delegates:

Aside from the usual scientific activities, the major efforts of the Alameda County Medical Association during the past year have been along the lines of medical economics in connection with the Alameda County plan, and the Mutual Hospital plan which is under development.

The Alameda County part-pay plan has been in operation fifteen months, and about two thousand patients have been referred to private physicians for treatment. A complete social survey is at present being made by the social service department of the county to determine the number of patients treated by each physician, the number of visits made, and the amount of money collected, together with the doctors' reaction as to the value of the plan in general.

Both the Alameda County plan for care of part-pay patients and the Mutual Hospital plan will be discussed in detail in the reports of the president and the legal counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

O. D. Hamlin, *Councilor,*
Seventh District.

NINTH COUNCILOR DISTRICT

Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, and Trinity Counties

To the President and the House of Delegates:

A brief report of the medical societies' activities in the Ninth Councilor District during the year 1933 is submitted:

During the past year we have made councilor visits to all county medical societies, with the exception of

the Humboldt County Society. It has been very gratifying to observe the increasing interest taken in the activities of the state society, the Council, and the Executive Committee.

In the counties composing the north bay section the members of the various county societies are visiting the adjoining county meetings, until our medical meetings are becoming very interesting and the good fellowship seems to be as much a drawing card as the scientific papers.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry S. Rogers, *Councilor,
Ninth District.*

REPORTS OF COUNCILORS-AT-LARGE

To the President and the House of Delegates:

As councilor-at-large I have attended all Council meetings of the State Association and have addressed the San Diego County Medical Society on "What We Get for Our Dues to the State Society."

Respectfully submitted,

C. O. Tanner, *Councilor-at-Large.*

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The report of a councilor-at-large must often be of a general nature, and in this instance the details of my year's work will be reflected in the report of the Council that will be presented to the House of Delegates at its first meeting.

A long report here would be only wasting space and the reader's time.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Henshaw Kelly, *Councilor-at-Large.*

To the President and the House of Delegates:

During the past year I have contacted a number of different county units, and they all seem to be alert to their responsibilities, regarding the public health work and the work that the Public Relations Committee is trying to do.

In our own county of Los Angeles it is very gratifying to see the progress that this county unit has made. The construction of our new library and permanent meeting place is progressing in a very satisfactory manner.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Kiger, *Councilor-at-Large.*

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES*

COMMITTEE ON ASSOCIATED SOCIETIES AND TECHNICAL GROUPS

Executive Group

R. Manning Clarke, Chairman, 1934

William H. Geistweit, 1936

Clifford Sweet, 1935

To the President and the House of Delegates:

Your Committee on Associated Societies and Technical Groups submit the following as the annual report:

The society most closely allied for the past year seems to have been the Woman's Auxiliary. Their organization seems to have proceeded at a rapid pace. There have been many problems perplexing them because of the newness of their organization, but these have been met very successfully and the society is now in most excellent condition. Each succeeding president has added her full share of organization and improvement. Revision of their Constitution is a

* Members of Standing Committees are urged to meet during the annual session and organize for the coming year and to hold at least one regular meeting of their respective committee during the annual session.

matter that is up before the Council at this annual meeting.

The Dental Association has been very active. Their activities have taken much the same line as those of the Medical Association, as far as medical economics is concerned. They have had many eminent speakers from the East, and their contributions to constructive economics has been no small matter.

The Dietitians' Association are continuing the good work of their organization and are the same active crowd as ever. Their work seems to grow more scientific each year and their organization more closely knit.

The Nurses' Association have also found that economics was one of their biggest problems. I believe there is a much more optimistic tone in their midst at the present time than there has been at any time during the year. Their organization has not weakened. It has forged ahead and contains many most capable and able women.

The pharmacists have reorganized in the southern part of the state. Their organization had failed of existence for some time, but the past year has seen a revival of this organization and it promises to bring about many reforms which were much needed. Abuses in the field of pharmacy have grown to be rather outstanding, and it is to be hoped that the new organization of pharmacists in the southland will help a great deal to correct these. Enthusiasm is not lacking among them, especially since meetings of the association were resumed.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Manning Clarke, *Chairman,
Committee on Associated Societies and
Technical Groups.*

COMMITTEE ON EXTENSION LECTURES

Executive Group

Robert T. Legge, Chairman, 1934

J. Homer Woolsey, 1936

James F. Churchill, 1935

The Secretary, ex officio

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The Committee on Extension Lectures submit for your consideration the annual report for the year 1933-1934.

Your chairman has kept in touch with the producers of scientific films which are of particular interest to the medical profession. These are on special problems pertaining to surgery, medicine, and public health, and have been listed with the secretary. The films may be rented or loaned by making application to the owners or rentees.

The two latest films, just released, are procurable from the Extension Division of the University of California at Berkeley. The new Canti film, a dramatic motion picture, depicts the behavior of living cells, showing the activities of both normal and cancer cells growing in media and the effects of treatment by radium emanations. This film was prepared by the Imperial Cancer Institution of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London. The other film is Antony van Leeuwenhoek's film, the first of the microbe hunters, "The Revelation of the Microscope."

A revision of the list of lecturers with new subjects is now in the process of development, and will be published shortly.

There are many members of our society who have prepared interesting papers of merit, or who have conducted researches in certain fields, or developed certain technical devices or operations, which would be of intense interest to the profession and welcomed by our various county medical units. Your committee welcomes such investigators as extension lecturers of the California Medical Association, and requests them to be listed with the title of their articles with the secretary of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert T. Legge, *Chairman.*

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Executive Group

Fred B. Clarke, Chairman, 1935
W. R. P. Clark, 1936 Langley Porter, 1934

To the President and the House of Delegates:

Your Committee on Health and Public Instruction must necessarily make all suggestions to the Department of Public Relations, since that organization is equipped to carry out the suggestions made by all the standing committees.

During the past year several suggestions have been made to the Department of Public Relations. They are as follows:

1. Development of a speakers' bureau in each county in order that we may educate the public as to what scientific medicine has accomplished in the way of prevention and treatment of disease.

It is only through publicity that we can hope to acquaint the public with the wonderful strides that have been made in medical science during the last few years.

It is to be hoped that each county medical society will develop a speakers' bureau and that the secretary of each society will make definite engagements for these speakers to appear before various luncheon clubs, Parent-Teacher associations, etc.

2. It has been recognized that physicians do not occupy the place in the prevention of disease that they should, and while they are not satisfied, they have permitted public health agencies to take their place in immunization against diphtheria, smallpox, etc.

The Medical Society of Wayne County, Michigan, has worked out a plan which apparently is perfectly satisfactory, and your committee has urged the Department of Public Relations to encourage the adoption of this or a similar plan in each county of the state.

3. The American Medical Association is broadcasting over two national hook-ups each week, and it has been urged that each component county medical society arrange to carry an advertisement in the local newspapers regarding the value of these national broadcasts. If this advertisement is carried, it will be relatively easy to secure definite and conspicuous notice in the daily columns devoted to radio broadcasting.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred B. Clarke, *Chairman*.

COMMITTEE ON HISTORY AND OBITUARIES

Executive Group

Charles D. Ball, Chairman, 1935
J. Marion Read, 1936 George D. Lyman, 1934
The Secretary, ex officio The Editor, ex officio

To the President and the House of Delegates:

Your Committee on History and Obituaries begs to submit the following report. Appended to this report is a list of the sixty-seven members of the California Medical Association who, since our last report, were taken from us through death. We pause in silence for a moment, in respect to them, before we again take up the tasks which they and we chose as our life's work.

The California Medical Association is now seventy-five years old. It has had a distinguished career. Its members, in the days gone by, have given to the people of California much gratuitous service that has made for the happiness and prosperity of its citizens. Out of respect to these men who in the last decades have maintained the standards of scientific medicine it would seem proper that a real beginning should be made by the Association in the collection of California medical publications and reports and other data that would place in the office of the Association at San Francisco at least the skeleton material that could

be used in the compilation of a real history of organized medicine in our state. Those who come after us will have a real right to accuse us of negligence if we do not begin to gather this historical material while the opportunity still exists.

The chairman of this committee requests that the allocation of some \$300 for such work, made several years ago, be again placed on the budget, to be used in whole or in part during the coming year to permit a real beginning in the work assigned to the committee. Unless such an appropriation is made, it is evident that your committee can do little more than present a list of deceased members as compiled from CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE. If the allocation of funds is made, as above requested, your committee will strive to make an active start in the work for which it was appointed.

There were sixty-seven deaths this year, one more than in the previous year. The list of deceased members follows:

IN MEMORIAM

Alexander, Ralph Lee, October 19, 1933, age 57, Orange County.
Armistead, Howell V., September 12, 1933, age 74, Newman.
Armstrong, Maurice Moray, February 8, 1933, age 60, Los Angeles.
Berry, Andrew Jackson, February 12, 1933, age 68, Los Angeles.
Braafladt, Louis Henry, November 10, 1933, age 48, Sacramento.
Breitstein, Louis Isidor, May 19, 1933, age 54 years, Virginia City, Nevada.
Brier, Isabel Presbrey, July 7, 1933, age 34 years, Livermore.
Brooks, Thomas Cottrell, January 10, 1933, age 58 years, Los Angeles.
Bryant, Ernest Albert, October 19, 1933, age 65, Los Angeles.
Carey, George H., January 31, 1933, age 57, Los Angeles.
Carroll, John Joseph, July 21, 1933, age 37, San Francisco.
Costar, William James, Jr., October 25, 1933, age 34, Butte County.
Craig, William H., January 9, 1933, age 74, Upland.
De Lucis Cav. Andrea, August 21, 1933, age 82, San Francisco.
Dickerson, Wilmer Lambert, March 23, 1933, age 77, Long Beach.
Dickson, George Gillespie, June 27, 1933, age 47, Los Angeles.
Dray, Frank Raymond, June 24, 1933, San Francisco.
Edelman, David William, August 6, 1933, age 64, Los Angeles.
Edwards, William A., November 15, 1933, age 73, Los Angeles.
Fay, Franklin Goble, February 14, 1933, age 69, Auburn.
Frankenheimer, Jule B., December 14, 1933, age 60, San Francisco.
Fraser, Morton William, October 4, 1933, age 45, Tulare.
Gallup, Howard Augustus, October 9, 1933, age 49, San Luis Obispo.
Gaynor, John Joseph, October 1, 1933, age 79, Santa Cruz.
Hartman, William Walter, April 25, 1933, age 32, Los Angeles.
Hely, Levi St. John, December 19, 1933, age 64, Contra Costa County.
Hulbert, George G., June 1, 1933, age 82, San Diego.
Hunter, George Graham, December 13, 1933, age 57, Los Angeles.
Irwin, William Hayes, March 13, 1933, age 57, Oakland.
Jennings, George Darwin, June 6, 1933, age 61, Los Angeles.
Johnson, Carl, September 14, 1933, age 64, Los Angeles.
Jorgenson, Hans Christian, September 9, 1933, age 57, San Diego.
Kergan, Henry Sidney, May 10, 1933, age 62, Oakland.
Knorp, Francis Frederick, January 20, 1933, age 60, San Francisco.
Lessard, Mark Davis, August 1, 1933, age 52, San Francisco.
Look, Hallack Hart, December 26, 1933, age 72, Sacramento.
Lynch, Jerre George, September 18, 1933, age 55, Los Angeles.
Lyster, Theodore Charles, August 6, 1933, age 58, Los Angeles.
MacDonald, Harley Edgard, April 20, 1933, age 55 years, Redding.
Magan, Shaen Saurin, August 30, 1933, age 37, Los Angeles.

Martineau, Allen Sherman, July 29, 1933, age 36, San Diego.
 McElroy, Bernard F., November 7, 1933, age 61, San Francisco.
 McSwain, Thomas Omar, August 10, 1933, age 71, Tulare.
 McKinnon, George Washington, November 21, 1933, age 67, Arcata.
 Mehrtens, Henry George, February 28, 1933, age 47, San Francisco.
 Miller, Charles Howard, February 2, 1933, age 62, San Francisco.
 Miller, Edwin M., February 16, 1933, age 63, Santa Clara.
 Moots, Charles William, October 14, 1933, age 64, San Bernardino.
 Mueller, Carl Amandus, January 30, 1933, age 67, Redding.
 Olliver, Joseph A., October 17, 1933, age 71, San Francisco.
 Ophüls, William, April 27, 1933, age 62, San Francisco.
 Parks, Joseph Andrew, February 8, 1933, age 61, La Mesa.
 Pope, Frederick Samuel, October 9, 1933, age 65, Santa Ana.
 Roncovieri, Alfred, May 16, 1933, age 46, San Francisco.
 Russell, Tracy George, June 18, 1933, age 46, San Francisco.
 Sanford, Paul, September 29, 1933, age 74, Santa Clara.
 Schurter, Maximilian Adolph, August 21, 1933, age 51, Los Angeles.
 Shanks, Frederick Hastings, July 28, 1933, age 64, San Francisco.
 Sherwood, Oscar William, May 14, 1933, age 71, Fort Bragg, Mendocino.
 Stivers, Charles Gaskill, March 25, 1933, age 72, San Jose.
 Talbot, William Thompson, November 9, 1933, age 52, Imperial County.
 Tower, Ora Isaiah, September 4, 1933, age 47, Los Angeles.
 Wald, Olander E., September 16, 1933, age 65, Los Angeles.
 Wightman, William Dewey, December 6, 1933, age 35, Los Angeles.
 Wills, William LeMoyne, December 4, 1933, age 80, San Marino.
 Wislocki, Eugene John, January 9, 1933, age 72, San Jose.

Fifteen obituaries were reported:
 Edelman, David William, August 6, 1933, Los Angeles.
 Fay, George Howard, February 24, 1933, Auburn.
 Gallup, Howard Augustus, October 9, 1933, San Luis Obispo.
 Hunter, George Graham, December 12, 1933, Los Angeles.
 Knorp, Francis Frederick, 1933, San Francisco.
 Levengood, H. Wilson, 1933, Santa Monica.
 Lyster, Theodore Charles, August 5, 1933, Los Angeles.
 Mehrtens, Henry George, February 28, 1933, San Francisco.
 Miller, Edwin M., February 16, 1933, Los Gatos.
 Magan, Shaen S., August 31, 1933, Covina.
 Moots, Charles W., October 14, 1933, age 64, San Bernardino.
 Ophüls, William, April 27, 1933, Stanford College.
 Pope, Frederick, October 19, 1933, Santa Ana.
 Wills, William LeMoyne, December 3, 1933, San Marino.
 Woodbridge, Bradford, August 17, 1933, Placer County.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles D. Ball, *Chairman*.

COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS, DISPENSARIES AND CLINICS

Executive Group

Daniel Crosby, Chairman, 1935

John C. Ruddock, 1936

Karl L. Schaupp, 1934

To the President and the House of Delegates:

There has been no formal meeting of the Committee on Hospitals, Dispensaries, and Clinics during the year. Doctor Ruddock has been active in working with the California State Board of Health in their attempt to write standards for clinics and attempt to license clinics in the state of California, in conformance with the recent Assembly Bill 1277 that passed the legislature.

Unfortunately there has been no money available for investigators, and the first year's licenses have been entirely on paper in the attempt to accumulate a fund that they can begin to use in subsequent years by hiring investigators.

The California State Board of Health would welcome a program of standardization or rules whereby the various classes of clinics, as outlined in the Assem-

bly Bill, could be licensed. This would mean that these clinics must conform to a certain standard program before such license would be allowed.

In all, Doctor Ruddock met with the California State Board of Health, or representatives from them, at least a half-dozen times.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Crosby, *Chairman*.

COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL DEFENSE

Executive Group

Henry Snure, Sr., Chairman, 1934

Fred R. DeLappe, 1936

George G. Reinle, 1935

To the President and the House of Delegates:

No meetings of the Committee on Medical Defense were held during the year. The operation of the "Optional Defense" plan has been fully described in previous bulletins. On May 3, 1933, our group policy with the United States Fidelity and Guaranty was discontinued and members obtained individual coverage with the various companies writing malpractice insurance in this state. Members of the medical society of the state of California retain the services of their legal counsel as before, the membership fee remaining at \$10, and all are advised to obtain this coverage, particularly at a time when the insurance companies are threatening to withdraw or limit the policies. The number of suits seems to be increasing and no doubt the insurance companies will increase their rates. The committee believes that all members should avail themselves of the medical defense offered by the medical society of California, thereby permitting our personal attorneys to represent us in conjunction with the other insurance carrier.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Snure, *Chairman*.

COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL EDUCATION AND MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS

Executive Group

George Dock, Chairman, 1936

George G. Hunter,* 1936

H. A. L. Ryfkogel, 1934

To the President and the House of Delegates:

I beg to report for part of the Committee on Medical Education and Medical Institutions.

Doctor Ryfkogel has kindly offered to report on the northern institutions, and I shall cover the two medical schools in Los Angeles.

The School of Medicine of the University of Southern California completed the academic work of the first class since the reorganization in June, 1933. Thirty students were eligible for the fifth or intern year taken under the direction of the University. Most of these students are now serving as interns in the Los Angeles County General Hospital.

Most of the work of the first two years is done on the campus of the University of Southern California, that of the third and fourth years being carried on at the County Hospital, the Children's Hospital, and the Eye and Ear Hospital. The clinical work is done under the supervision of groups of instructors, some on part time, others as volunteers. The county patients are now being moved into the new building, where the facilities for clinical teaching will be much better than hitherto, and the facilities as regards patients and laboratories, also of very high class.

The first year class is limited to fifty-six students. For the present session, registration is: first year, 56; second year, 46; third year, 33; fourth year, 35; fifth year, 30.

I am personally familiar with the work of the school, and think it of very high quality.

* Deceased.

The other medical school in Southern California is the College of Medical Evangelists, which was organized and chartered in 1909.

The school requires a college premedical training of at least two years.

The freshman and sophomore years are conducted at Loma Linda, San Bernardino County.

The junior and senior years are conducted in Los Angeles, chiefly in the Los Angeles County General Hospital and in White Memorial Hospital, which is owned and controlled by the college. Special lines of work are carried on in other institutions.

An intern year in an approved hospital is a prerequisite to the granting of the diploma of doctor of medicine.

This college has adopted the examinations of the National Board of Medical Examiners instead of its own examinations. Part I of the National Board examination must be completed before the student is permitted to enter upon the fourth year. The passing of Part II is prerequisite to receiving the diploma at the completion of the fifth year.

The enrollment for the current session is as follows: First year, 129; second year, 90; third year, 100; fourth year, 84; interns, 90; total, 493.

The chief object of the College of Medical Evangelists is the scientific training of doctors of medicine for service in heathen lands.

I am familiar with the medical work of this school and believe it fully up to the best standards.

Respectfully submitted,

George Dock, *Chairman.*

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The University of California Medical School is conducted by the University of California as a five-year medical curriculum, including a four-year medical course and a fifth or intern year.

The work of the first year, including anatomy, physiology, and biochemistry, is given on the campus of the University of California in Berkeley. The work of the second, third, and fourth years is given at the Medical Center in San Francisco. Each year is divided into two semesters of sixteen weeks each.

Classes are limited in number to sixty students. Students are admitted on the basis of scholarship, three years of premedical work being required for admission.

The curriculum comprises more than four thousand hours and conforms to the requirements of the Medical Practice Act of the State of California and the Association of American Medical Colleges.

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The Stanford School of Medicine is conducted by Stanford University and provides a five-year course of medical education for students who have completed three years of premedical education after high school graduation. Classes are limited to sixty students, and at present we have two hundred and fifty students enrolled.

The preclinical work is done by the students at the University campus during their first four quarters; the clinical work is done at San Francisco during the next eight quarters; and a year's internship is required before the degree of doctor of medicine is awarded.

The course given covers all the basic sciences related to medicine as well as the course in various branches of medicine, and a student is required to complete not less than four thousand hours of study, exclusive of his intern year. The premedical and medical curricula contain considerably more than the minimum requirements established by the State Board of Medical Examiners and by the Association of American Medical Colleges.

The San Francisco Polyclinic and Postgraduate School conducts a class in operative technique. This course is continuous and the attendance averages about thirty-five.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. L. Ryfkogel.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

Percy T. Magan, *Chairman, 1934*

Ruggles A. Cushman, 1935
The Editor, ex officio

Frederick F. Gundrum, 1936
The Secretary, ex officio

To the President and the House of Delegates:

CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, the official journal of the California Medical Association, has passed through another year of its history, and the chairman of your committee is confidently of the belief that this journal still stands in the van among all the state medical journals of the United States. This is true both in regard to its size, its make-up and style, as well as in regard to its most excellent contents. It is a fact, to be sure, that, according to varying tastes, changes could be made therein. But this is true of any and every scientific journal in the land. On the other hand, in a publication which is consulted month by month by many readers in an association having some five thousand members, it is important to maintain the order of the table of contents so that readers may easily find the articles or departments in which they have special interest. This is the reason for maintaining the table of contents on the front cover with absence of all advertisements. Your chairman is further of the belief that it is very proper that the scientific articles should be given first place and the editorial and other departments arranged, as is the custom in most medical publications, in that sequence best adapted to convenient typographical make-up and minimum cost, as well as nature of contents.

In an editorial in the January 27 *Journal of the American Medical Association*, entitled "Changes in State Medical Periodicals," complimentary mention was made of modifications of policy in two of the eastern medical journals. It is gratifying to note that the changes there mentioned, for a number of years have been a part of the accepted policy of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, as authorized by the California Medical Association Council.

It is to be regretted that all the excellent papers read at each annual session of the California Medical Association cannot be accepted for publication. Perhaps when good times return, so that the advertising income can be materially increased, a larger journal and a more liberal policy can again come into vogue. In connection with the advertising department, it is gratifying to learn that a slow but hopeful increase in sale of advertising space has taken place. With the appointment of a new advertising representative for Southern California, it is felt additional income will accrue from that section of the state.

As stated in the beginning, our official journal in recent years has maintained a somewhat stable form that has evidently appealed to the majority of its readers. The discussions of the scientific papers extends the list of contributors considerably. The editorial columns have kept the members in touch with new activities of the California Medical Association and of organized medicine. In the Editorial Comment department, presentations on scientific topics are made by contributing members. The official and local and more personal news are cared for in the California Medical Association and other departments which complete the magazine. All in all, as already stated, CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE is an official state medical journal which, while it strives to constantly improve, nevertheless answers a need, and seemingly fulfills it in more than passing good form.

Respectfully submitted,

Percy T. Magan, *Chairman.*

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

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 Walter M. Dickie, Director, Department of Public Relations.

To the President and the House of Delegates:

One of the principal activities of the Committee on Public Relations has been to study and analyze the various hospital and medical service plans which have been proposed or put into operation by the component county medical societies, groups of doctors, etc.; to assist and advise with representatives of component county medical societies in reference to the institution or formulation of medical hospital service plans. The department has cooperated with the legal counsel and the special committee of the Alameda County Medical Society in the formulation and establishment of a hospital service on a periodic payment plan. Alameda, Fresno, and Santa Clara societies have completed their plans and are about to offer this service to the general public. Many major problems have had to be solved in order to meet the principles as laid down by the Association as well as complying with the law that a corporation cannot practice medicine.

The problem of eliminating pay patients from our public hospitals has been given careful study and a campaign has been instituted to bring about the establishment of a plan for the admission only of indigent patients to our county hospitals; in other words, remove the political influence that has been a factor in the admission of patients who are not eligible. The Alameda Plan, which has been explained in detail in recent numbers of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, is undoubtedly the most practical plan that so far has been offered. This plan calls for the establishment of a county institution commission which has the control and management of county institutions. In addition to Alameda County, Sacramento, Fresno, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Riverside have adopted this plan, at least in principle, and a satisfactory solution of the problem has been attained. This matter is being brought to the attention of other component county medical societies with the object of making the plan universal.

The department has made a survey of medical books on the shelves of public libraries in counties of the state with a population of ten thousand or over. The department, with the approval of the Council, has prepared a list of some thirty medical books which they consider are accurate sources of information set forth in easily understandable form. This list was sent to the libraries with the request that they designate the books that were now on their shelves. Each component county medical society was requested to appoint an educational committee whose purpose is to contact the librarians of their county, to determine how many books contained upon the list were not available to the public and to endeavor as far as possible to have these additional books purchased in order that the list may be complete.

The Council has also instructed the department to institute a membership campaign in order to increase the membership of the Association. This necessitated checking the licentiates of the state who were not members of the California Medical Association. A list of all licentiates in each county who did not belong to the respective component county medical societies was

compiled. These lists were sent to the secretaries of the component county medical societies with the request that they designate whether in their opinion the licentiates would be eligible for membership or if at any time they had been rejected, died, retired, or moved away. This department will cooperate in any plan the component county medical societies may adopt in order to increase their membership.

For the second year the State Association has installed exhibits at the State Fair at Sacramento and the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona. The object of these exhibits is to acquaint the public with what the California Medical Association is doing in the way of advancing scientific medicine. Seven hundred thousand persons attended these two fairs.

The Council of the California Medical Association employed a publicity agent who was placed under the Department of Public Relations. Through this agent articles on suitable medical subjects have been prepared for the lay press. These articles are now appearing in different papers throughout the state.

Each county medical society has been requested to establish a speakers' bureau, to prepare a list of volunteer speakers from their society who are willing to prepare and deliver short talks before such groups as Parent-Teacher associations, women's clubs, service clubs, church organizations, etc. When this information is received from the local societies, it will be compiled and arranged in such form that information in regard to speakers and subjects will be available to the component county medical societies. This will also make it possible for the local societies to exchange speakers and subjects. A list of suitable topics for talks before the lay groups, or any other information or assistance as may be necessary to make this undertaking a success, will be gladly furnished by this department. There is no doubt that the medical profession has been negligent in the contacting of the public, while other professions and organizations have used this method with marked success.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles A. Dukes, *Chairman*.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC WORK**Executive Group**

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To the President and the House of Delegates:

The Committee on Scientific Work has held three meetings during 1933: one a reorganization meeting at the annual session to discuss with the newly elected section officers plans for the program of the following year; one a meeting of the committee alone to select guest speakers and discuss plans for the bettering of the annual session; and one at Riverside with section secretaries and the Arrangements Committee, held on the last Sunday in January, to review in detail the programs prepared by section officers and to secure full information regarding entertainment, clinics, public meetings, and rooms for the various gatherings.

The Program Committee at the annual luncheon meeting recommended to the Council an intensive three-day program instead of the four-day session that was begun with the meeting at Yosemite in 1922. This request the Council complied with at the last meeting of the Council at the annual session, but rescinded at the fall meeting when the constitutional provision that an interval of twenty-four hours must intervene between the two House of Delegates meetings was brought to their attention. The Program Committee, at its January meeting, regretted the change and again recommended a three-day session. This they feel could be arranged if the first meeting of the House of Delegates is held on the night preceding the first general meeting. The Program Committee believe that members of the House of Delegates would be present at

that meeting, and that the attendance at the first general meeting on the morning following would be greatly augmented and that many more members would attend during the entire session were all the hours filled with instructive meetings rather than entertainment.

In order that only one afternoon should be devoted to entertainment at Riverside, clinics will be held on Wednesday morning, and the section meetings usually scheduled for that hour will be deferred until Wednesday afternoon. This year there will be several outstanding symposia: one on arthritis, in which Dr. Russell Cecil and Dr. John D. Camp will take part; one on diseases of the respiratory tract, in which Dr. Irvine McQuarrie will preside.

Your Committee on Scientific Work and the section officers have given generously of their time and thought to make the Riverside meeting an outstanding one.

With the excellent program provided and reduction in railroad fares and hotel rates, the Riverside meeting should be well attended.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma W. Pope, *Chairman*.

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS, SPECIAL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Executive Group

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To the President and the House of Delegates:

The Auditing Committee has scrutinized all the expenditures of the Association during the year 1932 and has approved, as set forth in the Constitution and By-Laws, all expenditures that were properly authorized.

The books of the Association have been audited and found correct by Mr. Hugh Ross, certified public accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

Karl L. Schaupp, *Chairman*.

CANCER COMMISSION

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Henry J. Ullmann

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Clarence G. Toland

To the President and the House of Delegates:

The diagnosis and treatment studies undertaken by the Cancer Commission in 1931 were nearly completed in 1933. The last reports will be published early this year, after which they will be ready for distribution to the members of the California Medical Association in collected reprint form. Advance requests for more than two thousand of these have already been received from individuals and organizations outside the state, and we are encouraged to believe that this activity of the California Medical Association has received rather wide and favorable attention.

Organization of county cancer committees to take charge of lay publicity was begun in 1933 and will be completed this year. Several important lay organizations have already been addressed through the activities of such committees and through the generous cooperation of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Presentation of programs before county societies by teams organized by the Commission has been continued. The following county societies were visited in 1933: Fresno, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Placer,

Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Shasta, Ventura, Tulare, Humboldt, Alameda, Monterey.

Respectfully submitted,

Alson R. Kilgore, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON A BASIC SCIENCE (QUALIFYING CERTIFICATE) ACT

To the President and the House of Delegates:

In the March, 1934 issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, page 194, an article was printed, entitled "Does California Need a Basic Science (Qualifying Certificate) Law?" In that presentation the plan of a California basic science or qualifying certificate law was outlined.

The great value of such a law lies in the fact that a legal enactment of that character goes far in discouraging the advent of new cults; which practically always, in their early stages, secure students and thrive and prosper on common school standards of education. Such cults die "a-borning" if unable to secure students. When they have few students, such cults have few "doctor" graduates, and rarely become strong enough politically, to engraft through legislative or initiative action, a new cult upon the state. That being the case the enactment of a basic science (qualifying certificate) law would seem to be worthy of the serious attention of the members of the California Medical Association. The tentative plan of a basic science act outlined in the article above referred to is the result of much study and discussion. Suggestions for modifications are invited, and will be welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,

George H. Kress, *Chairman*.

COMMITTEE ON ANNUAL SESSION ARRANGEMENTS

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To the President and the House of Delegates:

The Committee on Annual Session Arrangements has met from time to time. We are able to report that the local arrangements have been completed and that we can assure the Association members that they and their families will be well cared for. Hotel accommodations, meeting rooms, special events and entertainment, all promise a happy visit to all who come.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Roblee, *Chairman*.

Carbon Monoxid Days Are Here.—Every year health officers issue warnings on the dangers of carbon monoxid poisoning from the exhaust fumes of automobiles. Carelessness, however, is responsible for a number of deaths from this cause each winter. A car should never be left running in a closed garage and the utmost care should be exercised in securing adequate ventilation of all garages. Carbon monoxid poisoning is so insidious in its onset that the victim is unaware of the approaching danger.

With the advent of natural gas, hazards due to carbon monoxid poisoning in the home have been reduced very greatly. There is danger of asphyxiation, however, through failure to connect household gas appliances to an outside vent. It is possible to incur fatal illness through this source. Fortunately, the chances for contracting carbon monoxid poisoning in the home are not as many as they were a few years ago. At all events, gas appliances in the home should be connected with outside vents always. Individual health may be damaged and fatal illness may be incurred through the inhalation of gas products and through the depletion of oxygen in the air.